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Dear Senator Inouye:

In response to your question this morning as to the number of naval officers on my staff at the CIA, I am happy to provide you a detailed accounting.

As I stated in my testimony before your committee on 22 February, I planned to, and did bring four raval officers with me to the CIA from my last naval assignment. One of these is an executive assistant who processes paperwork; one, an aide who handles protocol, travel arrangements and official accounts; and a third, a speech writer and special projects man. The fourth officer has not proven necessary and will depart for a new naval assignment this month. Hence, I now have a total of three naval officers working for me directly.

You might be interested in knowing that I also have in my immediate office two administrative assistants and a special assistant for schedules from the civilian component of the CIA, for a total of six; half of whom are naval officers.

Beyond this, there has always been a group of active duty military officers from each of the Armed Services on rotational assignment to the CIA, the IC Staff and the National Intelligence Office Staff. I discovered that six such officers would be rotating to other duties this spring or summer. I asked the Navy to replace them with six individuals whom I considered particularly well qualified for such assignment. Four of these six officers are here now; two more will arrive in July. None of the six will report to me or be assigned to my immediate office. They will all be assigned to duties such as are normally performed by military officers on assignment to the CIA, the Intelligence Community Staff, and the National Intelligence Office Staff.